

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to conform the SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION and ABSTRACT sections of the disclosure to the scope of the allowed claims. No new matter is being added by the proposed amendments.

The replacement drawings submitted herewith include depiction, consistent with 37 C.F.R. § 1.83(a), of the claim features of allowing a specific company node to modify a set of company information that is stored in the data files and that relates to that specific company and/or to control times at which selected portions of the company information in the data files are first made available to the constituency nodes, and/or to propagate communication interfaces accessible by the constituency nodes and facilitating access by the constituency nodes to selected portions of the company information under control of the respective company node in a manner that ensures compliance with one or more governmental disclosure requirements. No new matter has been added by the drawing changes.

Claims 1–22 have been allowed. Amendment of claims 1 and 22 has been proposed herein to correct punctuation in claim 1 and grammatical number in claim 22. No substantive change to the claims over the claims as allowed is proposed herein.

Entry of the proposed amendments and drawing changes is respectfully requested.

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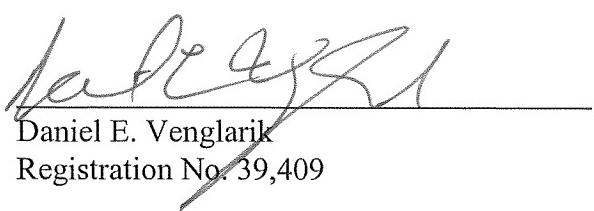
If any outstanding issues remain, or if the Examiner has any further suggestions for expediting allowance of this Application, the Applicants respectfully invite the Examiner to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below or at *dvenglarik@munckbutrus.com*.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees connected with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0208.

Respectfully submitted,

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